## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

- 1. (Currently Amended) An information processing system comprising:
  - a potential detection section which detects a predetermined potential applied to a serial bus terminal;
  - a power supply section which supplies the predetermined potential to each component part as a source potential upon detection of the predetermined potential by the potential detection section;
  - an information detection section which detects the predetermined command information supplied to the serial bus terminal; and
  - a processing section which executes, subsequent to the detection of the predetermined potential by the potential detection section, selected one of the encryption process and the decryption process in accordance with at least the operating information supplied from the operating key arranged on the body before detection of the predetermined information by the information detection section and in accordance with the predetermined information supplied to the serial bus terminal after detection of the predetermined information by the information detection section.

a determining section which determines a first operation mode for

performing a process in accordance with at least operating

information supplied from an operating key arranged on a main

body before the information detection section detects the command

information after the potential detection section detects the

predetermined potential, and which changes the first operation

mode to a second operation mode for performing a process in

accordance with the command information supplied to the serial

bus terminal after the information detection section detects the

command information; and

a processing section which executes one of an encryption process and a

decryption process in accordance with the operation mode

determined by the determining section.

- 2. (Original) An information processing system according to claim 1, wherein the processing section is initially set in the operation mode for executing the processing operation in accordance with the operating information supplied from the operation key.
- 3. (Currently Amended) An information processing system according to claim 1, wherein the processing section is set in the dual mode for executing the processing operation in accordance with both the operating information supplied

from the operation key and the predetermined command information supplied through the serial bus terminal.

- 4. (Currently Amended) An information processing system according to claim 1, wherein, after the information detection section detects the predetermined command information, upon detection of a drop of the predetermined potential by the potential detection section after entering the operation mode for performing the processing operation in accordance with the command information supplied to the serial bus terminal, the operation mode is changed to perform the processing operation in accordance with the operating information supplied from the operation key.
- 5. (Currently Amended) An information processing system according to claim 1, wherein, after the information detection section detects the predetermined command information, upon detection of a drop of the predetermined potential by the potential detection section after entering the operation mode for performing the processing operation in accordance with the predetermined command information supplied to the serial bus terminal, the operation mode is changed as initially set to perform the processing operation in accordance with the operating information supplied from the operation key.

- 6. (Currently Amended) An information processing system according to claim 1, wherein, after the information detection section detects the predetermined command information, upon detection of a drop of the predetermined potential by the potential detection section after entering the operation mode for performing the processing operation in accordance with the predetermined command information supplied to the serial bus terminal, the operation mode is changed as initially set to perform the processing operation in accordance with both the operating information supplied from the operation key and the predetermined command information supplied through the serial bus terminal.
- 7. (Currently Amended) An information processing system according to claim 1, wherein selected one of the encryption process and the decryption process is executed in the operation mode in accordance with the predetermined command information supplied to the serial bus terminal upon detection of the predetermined command information by the information detection section before the lapse of a predetermined time from the detection by the potential detection section of the predetermined potential applied to the serial bus terminal, and selected one of the encryption process and the decryption process is executed in the initially set operation mode, without regard to the detection of the predetermined command information, after the lapse of a predetermined time from the detection by the potential detection section of the predetermined potential applied to the serial bus terminal.

- 8. (Currently Amended) An information processing system according to claim 1, wherein, during the recording or reproducing operation of the processing section, selected one of the encryption process and the decryption process is executed in accordance with the initially set operation mode without regard to the presence or absence of the predetermined command information detected by the information detection section.
- 9. (Currently Amended) An information processing system according to claim 1, wherein selected one of the encryption process and the decryption process is executed in accordance with the initially set operation mode during the recording or reproducing operation of the processing section without regard to the presence or absence of the predetermined command information detected by the information detection section, and selected one of the encryption process and the decryption process is executed in accordance with the predetermined command information supplied to the serial bus terminal upon detection of the predetermined command information by the information detection section after the recording operation or the reproducing operation.
- 10. (Currently Amended) An information processing system according to claim 1, wherein selected one of the encryption process and the decryption process is executed in accordance with the initially set operation mode during the recording.

or reproducing operation of the processing section without regard to the presence or absence of the predetermined command information detected by the information detection section, and selected one of the encryption process and the decryption process is executed in accordance with the predetermined command information supplied to the serial bus terminal upon detection of the predetermined command information by the information detection section after the recording operation or the reproducing operation.

- 11. (Currently Amended) An information processing system according to claim 1, wherein, as long as the processing section is initially set in the operation mode to be supplied with power from an external source, selected one of the encryption process and the decryption process is executed in accordance with at least the operating information supplied from the operation key on the body, without regard to whether the information detection section has detected the predetermined command information or not, after detection of the predetermined potential by the potential detection section.
- 12. (Currently Amended) An information processing system according to claim 1, wherein, as long as the processing section is initially set in the operation mode to be supplied with power from an external source, selected one of the encryption process and the decryption process is executed in accordance with both the operating information supplied from the operation key on the body and the

predetermined command information supplied through the serial bus terminal, without regard to whether the information detection section has detected the predetermined command information or not, after detection of the predetermined potential by the potential detection section.

13. (Currently Amended) An information processing method comprising:

detecting a predetermined potential applied to a serial bus terminal and supplying the predetermined potential as a source potential; [[and]] executing, after detection of the predetermined potential, selected one of the encryption process and the decryption process in accordance with at least the operating information supplied from the operating key arranged on the body before detection of the predetermined information supplied through the serial bus terminal, and in accordance with the predetermined information after detection of the predetermined information.

with at least operating information supplied from an operating key
arranged on a main body before the information detection section
detects the command information after the potential detection step
detects the predetermined potential, and changing the first
operation mode to a second operation mode for performing a
process in accordance with the command information supplied to

the serial bus terminal after the information detection step detects
the command information; and

executing one of an encryption process and a decryption process in accordance with the determined operation mode.

- 14. (Currently Amended) An information processing method according to claim 13, wherein selected one of the encryption process and the decryption process is executed in the operation mode in accordance with the predetermined command information supplied to the serial bus terminal before the lapse of a predetermined time from the detection of the predetermined potential applied to the serial bus terminal, and selected one of the encryption process and the decryption process is executed according to the initially set operation mode, without regard to whether the predetermined command information has been detected or not, after the lapse of a predetermined time from the detection of the predetermined potential applied to the serial bus terminal.
- 15. (Currently Amended) An information processing method according to claim 13, wherein, during recording or reproducing operation of the processing section, selected one of the encryption process and the decryption process is executed in accordance with the initially set operation mode without regard to the presence or absence of the predetermined command information.

16. (Currently Amended) An information processing method according to claim 13, wherein, as long as the operation mode is initially set to supply power from an external source, selected one of the encryption process and the decryption process is executed in accordance with at least the operating information supplied from the operation key on the body, without regard to whether the predetermined command information supplied to the serial bus terminal has been detected or not after detection of the predetermined potential.

- 17. (Currently Amended) An information processing system comprising:
  - a potential detection section which detects a predetermined potential applied to an input interface;
  - a power supply section which supplies the predetermined potential to each component part as a source potential upon detection of the predetermined potential by the potential detection section;
  - an information detection section which detects the predetermined command information supplied to the input interface; [[and]]
  - a processing section which executes, subsequent to the detection of the predetermined potential by the potential detection section, selected one of the encryption process and the decryption process in accordance with at least the operating information supplied from the operating key arranged on the body before detection of the predetermined information by the information detection section and

in accordance with the predetermined information supplied to the serial bus terminal after detection of the predetermined information by the information detection section.

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body before the information detection section detects the command

information after the potential detection section detects the

predetermined potential, and which changes the first operation

mode to a second operation mode for performing a process in

accordance with the command information supplied to the serial

bus terminal after the information detection section detects the

command information; and

a processing section which executes one of an encryption process and a

decryption process in accordance with the operation mode

determined by the determining section.